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## STATE OF CALIFORNIA

## BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS

TO: William F. Elder, Manager Billingsley-Walborn-Kansas Oil & Gas, LLC aka Billingsley-Walborn-Gould Oil & Gas, LLC 517 Lakeshore Road, P.O. Box 130 Bull Shoals, Arkansas, 72619

> Dennis W. Stutes, CEO Elco Oil, LLC American Energy Developments, Inc. 517 Lakeshore Road, P.O. Box 130 Bull Shoals, Arkansas, 72619 and 476 Pamlar Avenue, San Jose, California 95101

## DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER

(For violations of sections 25110 and 25401 of the Corporations Code)

The California Corporations Commissioner finds that:

- 1. Elco Oil, LLC is an Illinois limited liability company formed on April 2, 1992, with a primary office address of 517 Lakeshore Road, P.O. Box 130, Bull Shoals, Arkansas, 72619. Dennis W. Stutes is the CEO of Elco Oil, LLC and does business on its behalf at the address of 476 Pamlar Avenue, San Jose, California 95101. William F. Elder is also a principal and manager of Elco Oil, LLC.
- 2. Billingsley-Walborn-Kansas Oil & Gas, LLC is an Illinois limited liability company formed on December 28, 2006, and was originally organized and operated under the name Billingsley-Walborn-Gould Oil & Gas, LLC. (Both are referred to jointly herein as Billingsley-

Walborn.) Billingsley-Walborn's primary office address is 517 Lakeshore Road, P.O. Box 130, Bull Shoals, Arkansas, 72619. Dennis W. Stutes and William F. Elder are the co-managers of the company.

- 3. American Energy Developments, Inc. is a Nevada Corporation, which was formed March 14, 2002. Its corporate status was suspended on April 1, 2007 for non-payment of fees. Its registered address is 348 Mill Street, Reno Nevada 89501 and its president is listed as Jeri Bosma according to the records of the Nevada Secretary of State. However, Dennis W. Stutes is the chief executive officer of American Energy Developments, Inc. and does business on its behalf at 476 Palmar Avenue, San Jose, California 95101. American Energy Developments, Inc. maintains websites at <a href="https://www.oilandgasinvesting.com">www.oilandgasinvesting.com</a>, and <a href="https://www.americanenergydevelopments.blogspot.com">www.americanenergydevelopments.blogspot.com</a> which offers advice on oil and gas investments and provides contact information to obtain more information.
- 4. When persons contact American Energy Developments, Inc. through the information provided on the websites they are connected to Dennis W. Stutes, who then offers to sell them investments in three oil and gas drilling projects owned or operated by Dennis W. Stutes, William F. Elder, Elco Oil, LLC and Billingsley-Walborn in Illinois and Kansas. The investments offered include "Units" of "Working Interests" in Billingsley-Walborn at a cost of \$25,000 per unit. The Billingsley-Walborn private placement memorandum (PPM) provided to prospective investors refers to the projects as "The Walborn, Jones, Goff, & Faith 'Turn Key' Drilling & Production Project", involving sixteen wells, the "Billingsley and Holms, Comm. Project", involving two wells, and the "Kansas Project", involving ten wells. In the PPM its states that the investors will start making money in 60-90 days from the date of investment and that investors will receive an "undivided fractional working interest ownership in all of the net assets we've funded, acquired and developed in our continuing oil and gas drilling and investment program" and that it will provide the investors with

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"substantial and completely legal tax write-offs." The PPM states that Billingsley-Walborn was "organized to offer working interest in 28 oil and gas wells drilling projects" and that "The Manager" of the company is William F. Elder and "The Operator" is Elco Oil, LLC.

- 5. It was not disclosed to prospective investors that Elco Oil, LLC and William F. Elder were previously the subjects of a government regulatory enforcement action and orders as a result of their offer of unregistered securities in violation of state securities regulations in the form of "working interests" in the Walborn, Jones, Goff & Faith oil drilling project. The regulatory action included the issuance of a Cease and Desist Order on July 12, 2006 by the Pennsylvania Securities Commission to halt the offer and sale of those securities. On May 29, 2006 a subsequent order was issued by the Pennsylvania Securities Commission as part of the administrative proceedings in that action pursuant to the consent of the subject William F. Elder and Elco Oil, LLC as part of their settlement of that action. In that order, the prior Cease and Desist Order was rescinded and the subjects William F. Elder and Elco Oil, LLC consented to the payments of fines, the entry of a new order requiring the subjects to comply with state securities regulations and to the entry of the findings of fact and conclusions of law made by the commission in that order. The finding of the commission in that order included that William F. Elder and Elco Oil, LLC had offered the unregistered securities in violation of state securities laws by means of unsolicited emails sent to persons with which they had no prior relationship, and who were not "accredited investors" pursuant to federal securities regulations.
- 6. It was also not disclosed to prospective investors that Dennis W. Stutes had been the subject of a prior Cease and Desist Order issued on December 12, 1991 issued by the Oklahoma Department of Securities as a result of his offer and sales of unregistered securities in violation of state securities laws, in the form of limited partnerships in oil and gas ventures. It was also not disclosed to prospective purchasers that Dennis W. Stutes had been discharged from his previous employment as a registered representative of a securities broker dealer in May of 2006 as a result of

his engaging in the "selling away" of securities, in violation of National Association of Securities Dealers, Rule 3040.

7. The Department of Corporations has not issued any permit, license or other form of authorization, approval or qualification to allow any person to offer and sell securities, including certificates of interest or participation in, or in payments out of production under, oil or gas titles or leases, and "Units" of "Working Interests" in oil projects owned or operated by Dennis W. Stutes, William F. Elder, Elco Oil, LLC and Billingsley-Walborn.

Based upon the foregoing findings, the California Corporations Commissioner is of the opinion that the units of working interests in oil projects owned or operated by Dennis W. Stutes, William F. Elder, Elco Oil, LLC and Billingsley-Walborn-Kansas Oil & Gas, LLC constitute securities, which are subject to qualification under the California Corporate Securities Law of 1968, and that these securities have been and are being offered without being qualified or exempt.

The California Corporations Commissioner is of the further opinion that the securities in the form of working interests in oil projects owned or operated by Dennis W. Stutes, William F. Elder, Elco Oil, LLC and Billingsley-Walborn-Kansas Oil & Gas, LLC have been offered in this state by means of written and oral communications, which include untrue statements or omissions of material facts, in violation of section 25401 of the California Corporate Securities Law of 1968.

Pursuant to Corporations Code section 25532, Dennis W. Stutes, William F. Elder, Elco Oil, LLC, Billingsley-Walborn-Kansas Oil & Gas, LLC and American Energy Developments, Inc. are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from the further offer or sale in the State of California of securities, including but not limited to certificates of interest or participation in, or in payments out of production under, oil or gas titles or leases, in the form of units in working interests in oil projects owned or operated by Dennis W. Stutes, William F. Elder, Elco Oil, LLC and Billingsley-Walborn-Kansas Oil & Gas, LLC unless and until qualification has been made under the California Corporate Securities Law or unless exempt.

Pursuant to Corporations Code section 25532, Dennis W. Stutes, William F. Elder, Elco Oil,
LLC, Billingsley-Walborn-Kansas Oil & Gas, LLC and American Energy Developments, Inc. are
hereby further ordered to desist and refrain from the further offer or sale in the State of California of
securities, including but not limited to certificates of interest or participation in, or in payments out of
production under, oil or gas titles or leases, in the form of units of working interests in oil projects
owned or operated by Dennis W. Stutes, William F. Elder, Elco Oil, LLC and Billingsley-Walborn-
Kansas Oil & Gas, LLC, by means of any written or oral communication which includes untrue
statements or omissions of material facts.
This Order is necessary, in the public interest, for the protection of investors and consistent
with the purposes, policies, and provisions of the Corporate Securities Law of 1968.
Dated: March 28, 2008
Los Angeles, California
PRESTON DuFAUCHARD
California Corporations Commissioner

By\_ ALAN S. WEINGER Lead Corporations Counsel Enforcement Division